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In re Patent Application of:  
Jean-Claude Thienard

Application No.: 10/539,136

Confirmation No.: 2219

Filed: June 15, 2005

Art Unit: 3679

For: CONNECTOR WHICH IS USED TO JOIN A  
WINDSCREEN WIPER ARM TO A WIPER  
BLADE

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**REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT**

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- 1) the assignment which shows the correct spelling; and
- 2) the application data sheet which shows the correct spelling.

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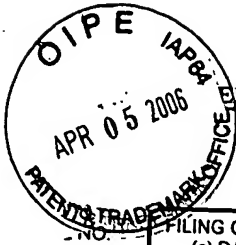
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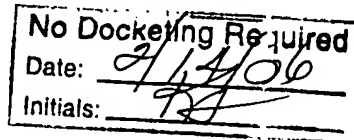
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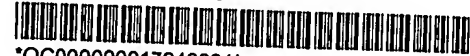
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## Assignment For Published Patent Application

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Power of Attorney: The patent practitioners associated with Customer Number 22511.

## Domestic Priority data as claimed by applicant

This application is a 371 of PCT/EP03/14236 12/15/2003

## Foreign Applications

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Non-Publication Request: No

Early Publication Request: No

Title

Connector which is used to join a windscreen wiper arm to a wiper blade

## Preliminary Class

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Case: **WFR0033**

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FOR VALUE RECEIVED, We, Jean-Claude THIENARD, French citizen and, respectively residing at Résidence le Clos Saint Jacques, Rue du Bouloir, 27140 GISORS, France, hereby sell, assign and transfer to Valeo Systèmes d'Essuyage, a French corporation, having a principle place of business at Z.A. de l'Agiot – B.P. 581, 8 rue Louis Lormand, 78321 La Verrière, France as assignee, and its successors, assigns and legal representatives, the entire right, title and interest, for the United States of America and all countries in and to certain inventions relating in

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which are described in the specification in an application, executed by us on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2005 (and we hereby authorized our attorneys, authorized to prosecute the application, to here insert the filing date and serial number of the application, as soon as it is known, Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_) and all the rights and privileges under any United States Letters Patent and all foreign Letters Patent that may be granted therefor.

We request that any and all United States and foreign patents for the inventions be issued to the assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, or to such nominees as it may designate.

We agree that, when requested, we will, without charge to the assignee but at its expense, sign all papers, take all rightful oaths, and do all acts which may be necessary, desirable or convenient for securing and maintaining patents for the inventions in any and all countries and for vesting title thereto in the assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives or nominees.

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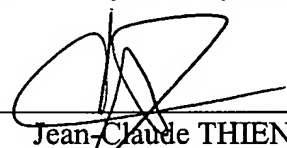
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We covenant with the assignee, its successors, assigns and legal representatives, that the rights and property herein conveyed are free and clear of any incumbrance, and that we have full right to convey the same as herein expressed.

Signed at La Verrière, France this 27 day of mai, 2005.

First Inventor

  
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Signed in our presence and acknowledged to be an assignment of the invention hereinabove referred to.

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## **Application Data Sheet**

### **Application Information**

**22511**

PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application Type::	Regular
Subject Matter::	Utility
Suggested Group Art Unit::	N/A
CD-ROM or CD-R?::	None
Sequence submission?::	None
Computer Readable Form (CRF)?::	No
Title::	CONNECTOR WHICH IS USED TO JOIN A WINDSCREEN WIPER ARM TO A WIPER BLADE
Attorney Docket Number::	17102/018001
Request for Early Publication?::	No
Request for Non-Publication?::	No
Suggested Drawing Figure::	7
Total Drawing Sheets::	14
Small Entity?::	No
Petition included?::	No
Secrecy Order in Parent Appl.?::	No

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Application::	Continuity Type::	Parent Application::	Parent Filing Date::
This Application	National Stage of	PCT/EP2003/014236	12/15/03

### **Foreign Priority Information**

Country::	Application number::	Filing Date::	Priority Claimed::
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